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DETAILED ACTION


The reply filed on 11-27-00 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant elected Group I (claims 1-16) which also requires a further election of species, as set forth in paragraphs 3-4 on page 3 of the election/restriction requirement. Applicant is reminded that claims within the elected group must be limited to those that read on the elected species. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Robert A. Zeman whose telephone number is (703) 308-7991. The examiner can be reached between the hours of 7:30 am and 4:00 pm Monday through Friday.

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